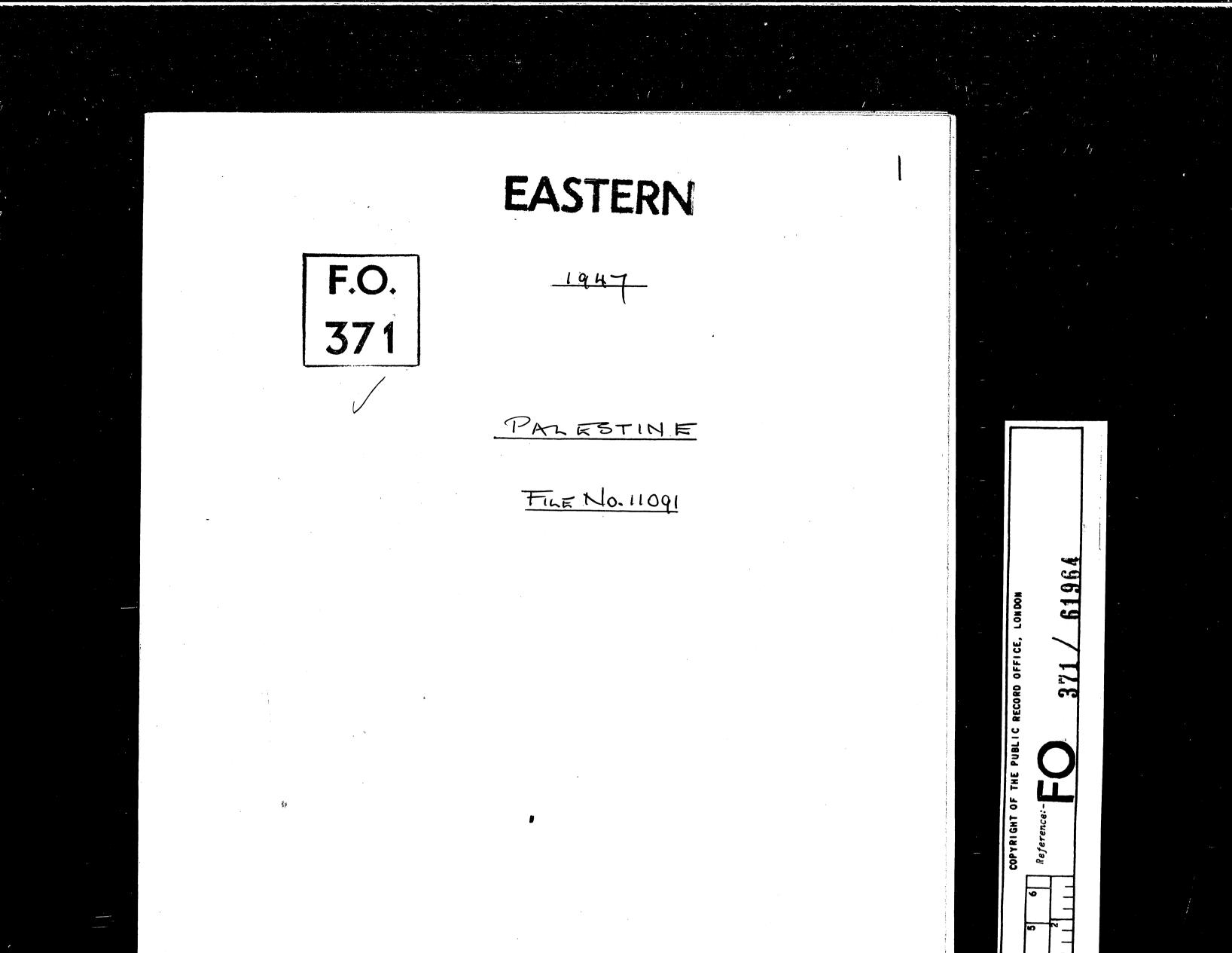
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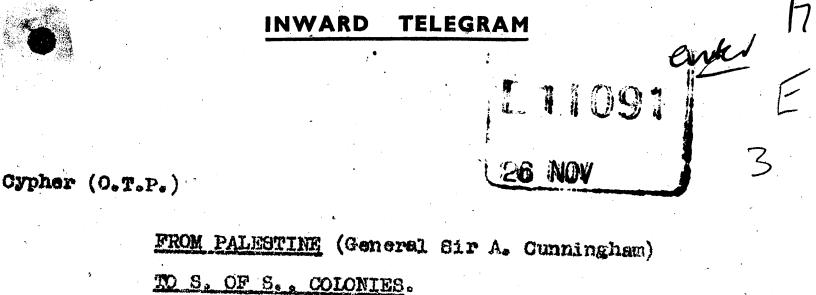
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It is possible that the Jewish Agency propaganda machine may be turned on to prevent sale of Haifa Harbour Estate. Inspired article in local press includes the statement that the Government of the Jewish State "will have the right to cancel all transactions effected without their consent and without the consent of the present Zionist representative", This line is scarcely calculated to inspire confidence in a Jewish State, but I have considered it edvisable to issue the following statement today .- "The land which the Government is offering for sale at Haifa was created by reclamation undertaken by the Government when Haifa Harbour was constructed. The funds expended on reclamation formed part of a loan raised in the United Kingdom in 1926 and (?Harbour) loan has been some as a charge on revenues of the Government of Palestine.

For some time the Government has had under consideration the desirability of selling this lend, and proceeds of such a sale (as of any other sale of State domain) would be oredited to revenue in the usual manner. The Covernment is not considering any other realisation of land assets beyond the normal small sales of State Domain.

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receive a perfectly valid title to the land, as good and effective as the title of any other owner of land in Palestine. No Government which purports to respect private property could refuse to recognise and sustain that title".

2. For your information, I am not considering further realization of assats beyond the sale of illegal immigrant ships.

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I have now had a chance to look at the file about German assets in Palestine. As you know I was extemporising at ONC. I find that Morton, as I suspected from the internal evidence of the paper, is familiar with the subject and stands benind the proposals in the working party's report. These proposals, as I said at the time, seem to me fundamentally sound, but they do need to be examined from the political and presentation standpoint.

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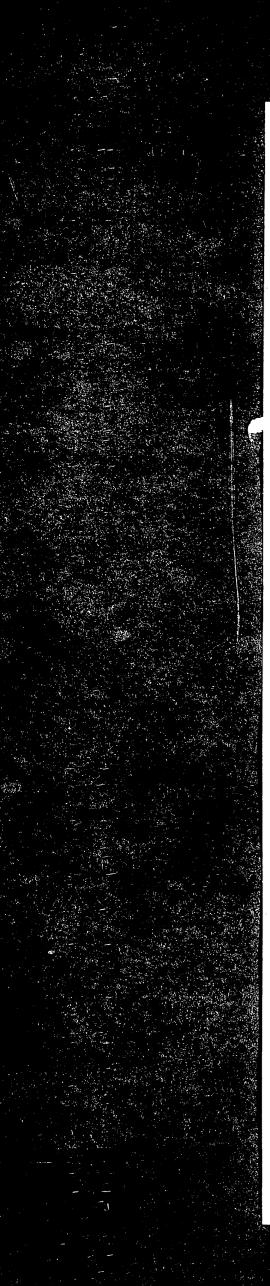
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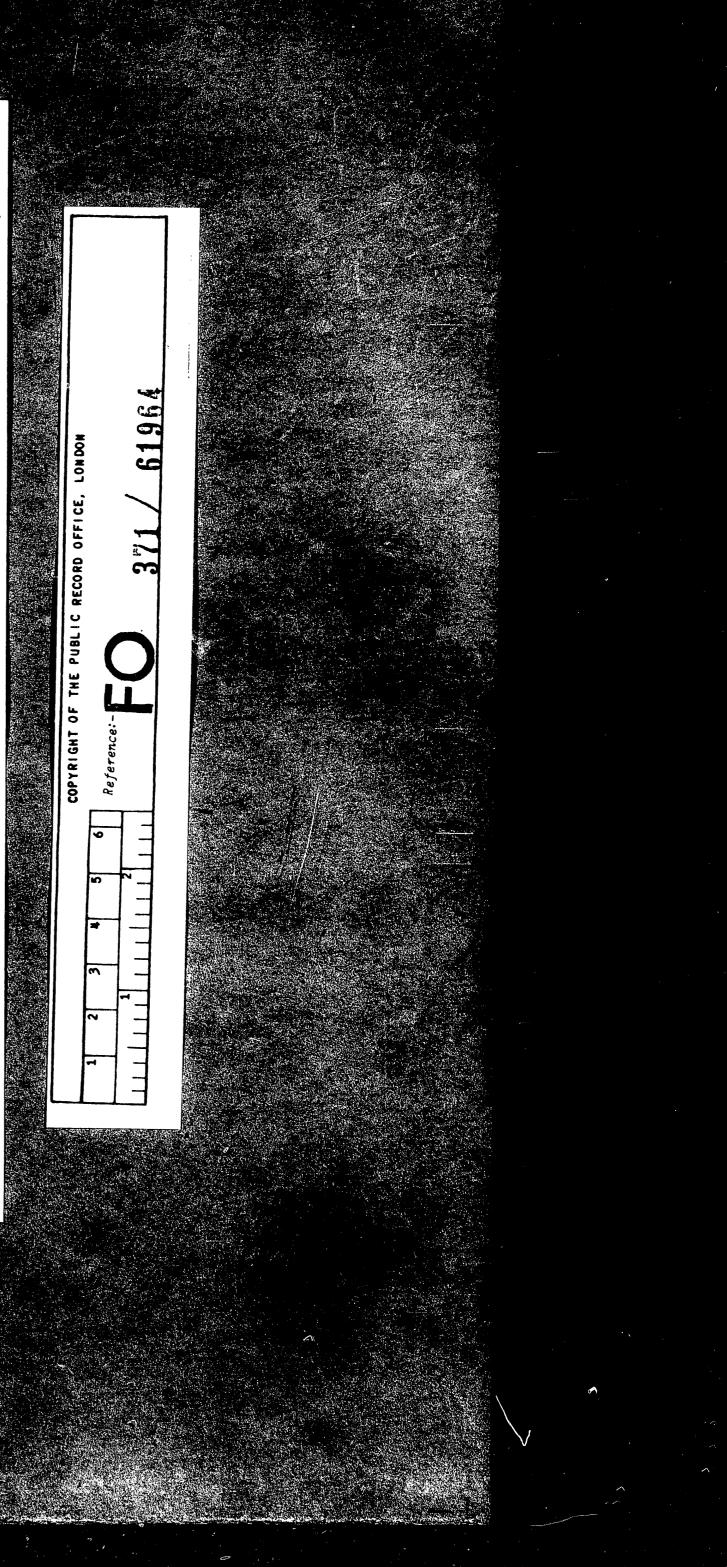
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